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The Honorable Colleen McMahon United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re:

CASE Adjourned to DEC. Z, 2021 At 12:00 P.M.— Time excluded in the interest of justica to facilitate United States v. Luiggi Alexander Hierro-Belen, a/k/a "Menor." Pleas discussions,

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Dear Judge McMahon:

A status conference is scheduled in the above-captioned matter for October 27, 2021. The Government writes respectfully to request an adjournment of the conference. After conferring with the Court's chambers regarding the Court's availability, the Government respectfully requests that the conference be adjourned to December 2, 2021, at 12 p.m. The Government and defense counsel have been engaged in productive discussions regarding possible pretrial resolution. Those negotiations have progressed and the parties hope to reach an agreement promptly. adjournment is requested to permit parties additional time for the Government and defense counsel for defendant Hierro-Belen to continue discussions and for defense counsel to advise the defendant regarding possible pretrial disposition.

In the event that the Court grants the requested adjournment, the Government respectfully requests that the Court exclude time under the Speedy Trial Act, from October 27, 2021 until December 2, 2021 for the reasons stated above. The Government submits that the ends of justice served by the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

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I have communicated with defense counsel, Mr. Silveri, for defendant Hierro-Belen, who consents to the adjournment and exclusion of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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